

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Claims 17, 19-21, 23-26, 30-33, 53-56, 58, 65-66, 96-120 are pending in the present application. Of these claims, 17, 31, 53, 66, 96 and 110 are independent. Claims 1-16, 18, 27-29, 34-52, 59-64 and 67-95 have been canceled. Claims 22 and 57 were withdrawn.

Claims 17, 19-21, 23-26, 30, 32 and 33 were rejected as being indefinite. Claim 17 has been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner.

Claims 31, 53-58, 65, 66 and 96-120 are allowed.

Applicant appreciates the indication that claims 17, 19-21, 23-26, 30, 32 and 33 would be allowable if claim 17 were rewritten to overcome the indefiniteness rejection. Claim 17 has been amended in the suggested manner thereby placing all claims in condition for allowance.

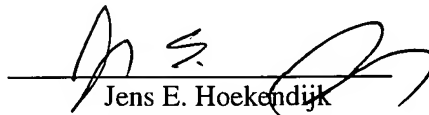
CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that all claims are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-412-3322.

Respectfully submitted,

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